Section 972 METHOD OF TEST FOR DETERMING THE QUANTITY AND RATE OF ABSORPTION OF ASPHALT PAVEMENT REJUVENATING AGENTS

972.01 Scope

1. This method covers a field absorption test for determining the optimum starting application rate of an asphalt pavement rejuvenating agent.

972.02 Apparatus and Materials

- 1. 1:1 or 2:1 Rejuvenator Type A, B, B-Mod, C, or D
- 2 Ring Template, six-inch diameter
- 3. Marker Crayon
- 4. Paintbrush, 1 inch wide
- 5. Graduated Cylinder, 25 mL -Calibrated to Deliver, or a Veterinary Syringe
- 6. Timer
- 7. Bio-Act for clean-up

972-03 Procedure

The optimal starting application rate of a rejuvenating agent is determined by observing the rates and absorption characteristics of known quantities of agent placed in a six-inch circle.

- 1. Do all testing in the pavement wheel-paths
- 2. Using the ring template, draw several six-inch circles at various locations on the pavement surface.
- 3. Note the type and dilution rate of the agent being evaluated.

4. Use the graduated cylinder or animal syringe and measure a starting, equivalent amount of agent for a 0.08 gsy (gallons per square yard) application rate using the following table 1.

Table 1- Trial Volumes

gsy	mL/ 6"Circle
0.08	6.6
0.10	8.3
0.12	9.9
0.15	12.4

Note: To compute the trial volume of agent in mL for any application rate in gsy, multiply the given application rate by 82.67. Example: for an application rate of 0.10 gsy, multiply by 82.67 and round to 8.3 mL.

- 5. Pour into the ring and use the small brush to quickly and uniformly spread it over the area of the circle. Note the time and rate of application.
- Record the time interval required for the agent to penetrate into the surface.
- 7. Repeat on the other circles using different application rate.
- Wait fifteen to twenty minutes on each trial application and visually evaluate the absorption characteristics in each circle.
- 9. Select and recommend the largest rate of application that is absorbed into the pavement surface in 15 to 20 minutes leaving just a few small wet spots.

972-04 Precautions

- 1. Limit the application rate to a maximum of 0.25 gsy, regardless of the amount absorbed, on open graded, or very porous pavement surfaces.
- 2. Perform tests at several locations throughout the proposed project because of varying pavement surface conditions.
- 3. If the pavement surface appears to have a heavy residue of oil remaining after the 15-minute interval, either too much rejuvenator was used for the test or the pavement is not a candidate for rejuvenation.